

In re application of

Confirmation No. 5812

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Examiner B. Celsa

ELECTROSTATIC BONDING TYPE MACRO-MOLECULAR MICELLE DRUG CARRIER AND DRUG CARRIED THEREON Mail Stop: Amendment

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This in response to the Election of Species Requirement dated June 23, 2004, the period for response having been extended for five months by the attached petition.

The Election of Species Requirement requires election of a single specific compound as macromolecular drug a. and single specific drug carrier b.

In reply, Applicants hereby elect Salmon Testes DNA as the drug and PEG-P(Lys) block copolymer as the carrier. These are disclosed in Examples 5 and 6.

Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT

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